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## LIKELY TEAMS

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UTJESENOVIC	2	MARTOS
WILSON	3	VEPI
SCHAEFER	4	MEGYESI
CURRAN	5	JUHASZ
RICHARDS	6	BALINT
MACKAY	7	SZOKE
ROONEY	8	BRANIKOVITS
BAARTZ	9	MATE
ABONYI	10	ALBERT
BULJEVIC	11	KU

Substitutes: Milisavljevic, Williams, Warren, Alston, Campbell.

Substitutes: Domjan, Eipel, Magyar, Mucha, Vizsko.

Referee: A. BOSKOVIC

Linesmen: T. Davies, B. Thompson.

● U/13 curtain-raiser line-ups on Page 2



The full Ferencvaros complement posed for this special Australian tour photograph before their departure.

# FIRST TEST FOR OUR SOCCEROOS

— By MIKE RENWICK —

Those who will go and watch Ferencvaros in action against Australia at the Sportsground on Sunday will almost certainly see remnants of the old, romantic Hungarian soccer.

Still reluctant to adopt all the characteristics of today's utilitarian, often drab but effective style, the Hungarians believe that soccer is a game that has to be played and enjoyed, not worked at.

This quaint philosophy has cost them many important matches in the last few years without inducing them to be more pragmatic about their approach.

I saw the Hungarian national team several times at the 1972 Munich Olympics and again in 1973 against Sweden in a World Cup tie: on both occasions Ferencvaros provided some half the players.

Compared with English or German teams, their style is "soft", almost like that of the Brazilians.

Many of their players are extremely skilful but few, even among the defenders, robust.

Their build-up work tends to be slow and precise; the forwards like to dance the ball into the net instead of tearing it apart with dynamic moves and shots.

Ferencvaros plays with four fullbacks, no sweeper, three midfielders and three strikers.

For years Albert has been their playmaker, elegantly ruling the midfield, distributing the ball and setting up the scoring chances. Juhasz, alongside of him, is the fetch-and-carry man while Ku, on

the other side, is the more polished prompter.

In Vepi, Pancsics, Balint and Megyesi, their usual defensive formation, they have better ball-players than is customary among defenders.

Often they like to bring the ball out, instead of wildly kicking it forward.

Szoke on the right wing is the speed man, his shots are also the most dangerous.

However, generally speaking, the approach work of the strikers is again on the soft side: intricate short passing, flicks, back-heels and sudden improvisations instead of bustling.

### Training camp

Although Hungarian soccer is in a slump, it would be silly to underestimate the strength of Ferencvaros.

The team spent the whole of January at Tata, in the modern Olympic training camp, holding one or two daily training sessions.

It is safe to assume that at this stage, anyway, they are physically ahead in their preparations of the Australian team, which is playing for the first time since the historic 1-0 World Cup victory in Hong Kong against South Korea.



Australia's best tactics will be to mark the forwards tightly and prevent them from setting up chances close to our goal.

Ferencvaros are likely to be on the offensive for the better part of the match.

Balint and Vepi both like to join the attack and this will give the Australians some opportunities for quick breaks.

If played in the right spirit, all their matches should provide great entertainment and more "pure" soccer than one normally sees.

For the Australian team the two matches (the teams met Wednesday in Adelaide) will be extremely important; Rale Rasic will have a fair idea of just where further work must be done to bring the team to its peak by June.

Several players will have their chance to get a strong hold on a berth in the team, especially among the strikers where we are not too richly endowed with talent.

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FOLLOW THE WORLD CUP ON PAGES 4 AND 5

# Ferencvaros rich in soccer greats

— By MIKE RENWICK —

Ferencvaros players have won and received many unusual honors in the past — and in all likelihood will continue to do so in the future.

Jeno Dalnoki, the present coach, was a member of the great "Puskas-team" that won the Olympic Gold Medal at Helsinki in 1952. In 1968, in Mexico, Pancsics and Juhasz collected their Olympic goals for Hungary.

The honors list, however, goes further back.

In 1937 in the first Central and Western Europe match in Amsterdam (Central Europe won 3-1), Dr. Sarosi and Lazar, two Ferencvaros players starred for the winners.

Some 30 years later, in 1968, when Brazil played a FIFA XI, there were three Ferencvaros stars in the visiting side: Albert, Novak and Szucs.

Novak has since retired while Szucs transferred to another club.

Perhaps the greatest accolade ever won by any Ferencvaros player went to Albert, voted to be "European Player of the Year" in 1967 by a continent-wide poll.

To this day he is the only Hungarian player to win

this honor. (The 1973 title was won last December by Barcelona's Dutch star Johan Cruyff).

Two former Ferencvaros players not only live in Sydney, but have been active in local soccer.

## Local residents

Gyula Polgar, former successful coach of AFLA, was with Ferencvaros from 1933 to 1944 and played many times for Hungary, including the 1938 World Cup final in Paris.

Lorinc Hegyes, formerly with St. George and now back in circulation with Canterbury, played right winger for Ferencvaros from 1946 to 1948.

Ferencvaros have never been short of great players; throughout their history, they always managed to produce some of the truly outstanding stars of Hungarian soccer.

Names like Pataki, Turai, Takacs II, Toldi, Lazar, Kohut, Koranyi, Bukovi, Berkessy, Schlosser, Rudas, Deak, Hada and Gyetvai are still remembered fondly by the Budapest connoisseurs.

Perhaps the greatest name — and the only whose popularity matched, even surpassed, that of Florian Albert's — was Dr. Gyorgy Sarosi, a veritable star in the 1930s and early 1940s.

A lawyer by profession, Sarosi was the paragon of all soccer and sporting virtues; an immensely skilled performer and a

thorough gentleman on and off the field.

At his peak, he was regarded as Europe's best forward, ahead of other such legendary contemporaries as Austria's Sindelar, Italy's Piola or Czechoslovakia's Bican.

It was, in fact, against Czechoslovakia that Sarosi had one of his most memorable games, scoring seven goals against Planicka, then Europe's greatest goalie.

Spain's current national team manager Laszlo Kubala also played for Ferencvaros after the war, before transferring to Barcelona and becoming the idol of Spain.

Another later expatriate Ferencvaros star was Istvan Mike who, in the late 1940s, was the darling of the Bologna crowds to the extent that they named a locally grown apple after him, "Mele a la Mike."



FLORIAN ALBERT

## ALBERT BEST SINCE PUSKAS

Although on the verge of retirement, Florian Albert is likely to be the most closely watched and admired star of Ferencvaros in Australia.

This slim 74-time international is undoubtedly the greatest Hungarian player since the Puskas-era. He has played many memorable matches, but his greatest was in the 1966 World Cup, against Brazil.

With absolute ease and elegance, he tied the Brazilians into knots and paved the way to his team's 3-1 win.

The following year Albert was voted Europe's "Player of the Year" and invited by the Rio club of Flamengo to spend a few weeks with them. Stunning ball control, speed of thought and deadly accuracy have made Albert a world-class player — and certainly one of the most pleasurable to watch.

## WORLD CUP ROUND-UP

● The official film of the 1974 World Cup will be produced by Englishman Morton Lewis, who also secured the rights for the 1978 World Cup film. Lewis paid the organisers \$250,000 for the privilege.

● The Scots will play against Belgium on June 1 and against Norway on the 5th before their World Cup debut, against Zaire, on June 14.

● Helmut Haller, who won fame and fortune in Italy, is another world-famous soccer personality who tips Italy to clinch the 1974 title. "The Italians have played as a team for so many years that they could take the field blind-folded. I take them to finish ahead of West

Germany. Brazil will not create much of an impression. Argentina will, I think, be the best of the South Americans," he said.

● The Argentinians' World Cup headquarters will be the Holiday Inn, 14 kilometres from the centre of Stuttgart.

They will play the following matches before the finals: v. Czechoslovakia (Buenos Aires) April 10; v. USSR (Buenos Aires) April 17; v. East Germany (Buenos Aires) April 24; v. Eire (Buenos Aires) May 2; v. Austria (Buenos Aires) May 8; v. France (Paris) May 18; v. England (Wembley) May 22; v. Fiorentina (Florence) May 29; v. VFB Stuttgart (Stuttgart) June 6 and 10.

## EARLY MATCH TEAMS

Canterbury-Marrickville: 1. Fraser, 2. Martinuzzi, 3. Morson, 4. Coupe, 5. Taylor, 6. Frasca, 7. Morris, 8. Lago, 9. Pagano, 10. Davanzo, 11. Zinn. Reserves: Russell, Browne, Aurisch, Kruger.

Manly: 1. Bailey, 2. Fox, 3. Hodgson, 4. Blair, 5. Lovelidge, 6. Rodgers, 7. Rath, 8. Riley, 9. Talbot, 10. Scott, 11. Pind. Reserves: Dick, Keenan.

Gladesville: 1. Turnbull, 2. Lowe, 3. Braham, 4. Hicks, 5. Henley, 6. Green, 7. Gunnis, 8. Mackintosh, 9. McAlister, 10. Olsen, 11. Steadman. Reserves: Coward, O'Keefe.

Ku-Ring-Gai: 1. Cridland, 2. Noble, 3. Withers, 4. McGeechie, 5. Wood, 6. Brieger, 7. Gates, 8. Whitfield, 9. Yates, 10. Lamman, 11. Eder. Reserves: Williams, Elston, Montgomery.

## Saints' turn on Tuesday

Sydney fans can see Ferencvaros in action again on Tuesday evening when they play St. George-Budapest, also at the Sportsground.

St. George, whose team includes Australian internationals Jim Fraser, Manfred Schaefer, George Harris, Harry Williams, John Warren, John McDonald, Attila Abonyi and Doug Ujesevich have never been beaten in an international match.

Saints' record: v. Toyo Kogyo (Japan) 3-0, 3-2; Macao 9-0; Jardines (Hong Kong) 6-2; Japan "A" 0-0; Japan "B" 6-2; Hitachi (Japan) 2-1; Frem (Denmark) 3-0.

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On Thursday February 7 and 21 at 8 p.m. famous European sports commentator and journalist GYORGY SZEPESI, travelling with Ferencvaros, will give a soccer talk and screen exclusive sports films at Soccer House. The great FLORIAN ALBERT will also be at Soccer House on Thursday, February 7.

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# BALINT IS PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Several of Florian Albert's international colleagues are also likely to shine here.

Balint, voted Hungary's "Player of the Year" only last December, is the dynamic, skilled, enterprising freeback in the Beckenbauer style.

Playing deep in defence, he is prone to dominate the midfield — and even join the attack.

He is talented enough to play for any club in the world, Bayern and Ajax included.

Juhász is the "blond robot" of the team, an industrious, reliable, aggressive midfielder who may seldom star, but never really flops.

Pancsics, the pillar of the Ferencvaros and Hungarian defence, is extremely fast, a great header and fine distributor.

However, some critics claim Pancsics is too much of a gentleman to be a stopper, being reluctant to rely on anything but the fairest methods.

Goalkeeper Geczi, until his injury in 1973, was Hungary's regular international; in a country not noted for great goalies lately, he has been by far the safest.

Ku, the Bohemian, free-swinging midfielder, is a tremendous talent; a polished performer with a "nose" for goals.

However, his exploits off the field, in the bars of Budapest, twice briefly interrupted his career.

Szoke, a small, blond winger (Szoke actually means blond . . .) has the most stupendous shot in Hungary; he can hit it home on the run, from 50 metres and more.

An orthodox winger, Szoke usually provides the team's rhythm and aggressiveness.

Vepi and Megyesi are most useful defenders, with Vepi the ball-playing type.

The fragile-looking Brankovits was hailed a few years ago as Albert's heir apparent; even their styles are similar.

He is fast, elusive with fine control and a good shot; however, he lacks "bite" and is unenthusiastic about "mixing" it with hacking defenders.

At the 1972 Munich Olympics, Ferencvaros provided several players to the silver medalwinner Hungarian team: Geczi, Pancsics, Balint, Vepi and Brankovits.

Last year, in the unsuccessful World Cup

by MIKE RENWICK

battles, the Hungarian team included Geczi, Juhász, Pancsics, Balint and Szoke.

The players are accompanied by their new coach, Jeno Dálnoki, their veteran masseur, Gyorgy Doka, tour directors Janos Harot and Sandor Szilagyi and by team doctor Jozsef Juhász.

Dálnoki was a Ferencvaros player in the 1950s. He also played for Hungary many times.

He was in the team that visited Australia in 1957 and Dálnoki's battles against Leo Baumgartner, then here with the Viennese FK Austria, are still vivid in many memories.

The remarkable feature of Ferencvaros has always been its ability to produce its own talent, through the many junior teams.

Of the present squad in Australia, Albert, Balint, Brankovits, Juhász, Pancsics, Szoke and Vepi are all home-grown products, having been with the club since their earliest teens.

Several of the players will actually celebrate their birthdays while in Australia: Balint was 26 on February 1, Pancsics 30 on February 4 and Szoke will be 27 on February 13.

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## VICTORIA v. FERENCVAROS 2-3

# Hungarians fight back to win after trailing 0-2

Victoria held the visiting Hungarian Ferencvaros as long as their stamina lasted.

It was only in the second half and even then towards the end that the greater ability and superior fitness of the Hungarians told.

The Victorians opened the match sensationally. Buljevic broke through in the third minute, passed to Micevski whose low drive from 10 metres beat Geczi.

In the 25th minute it was already 2-0. Defender Mike Pye, playing a great game in defence, set up a chance for Buljevic whose close-range shot found the target.

Ferencvaros began to rally after the first half hour and in the 31st minute Ku scored, jumping higher than a wall of defenders, heading past Milisavljevic.

After halftime the Victorians were under relentless pressure as the Ferencvaros players began to find their feet.

In the 70th minute Juhász, following through an attack, headed in the equaliser.

From then on the writing was on the wall for the tiring Victorians whose sole pre-occupation was with defence.

In the 77th minute Florian Albert came on the field and immediately made his presence felt.

Eight minutes from the end Albert let the winger Szoke go with a precision pass and Szoke's cross was easily converted by Máté for the winner.

Victoria reached dizzy heights in the first hour, but then started to fade.

Ferencvaros, obviously tired after their long journey from Europe, took some time to settle down.

However, in the second half they put on a very good show, giving a display of polished European soccer — somewhat reminiscent of the style of recently visiting Czechoslovak teams.

The game was played in perfect spirit, giving referee Tony Boskovic, who was first-class, absolutely no problems.

Victoria: Milisavljevic, Barron, Kazi, Walker, Pye, Gorrie (Bourne), Micic, Bleskany, McArdle (Cole), Micevski, Buljevic.

Ferencvaros: Geczi, Martos, Eipel, Megyesi, Juhász, Balint, Szoke, Brankovits, Máté, Ku (Albert), Magyar (Mucha).

Crowd: 11,000. Referee: T. Boskovic.

Best players: Milisavljevic, Pye, Micic, Walker, Buljevic and Micevski for Victoria; Márton, Juhász, Máté and Brankovits for Ferencvaros. — JIM COOK

# FERENCVAROS' RECORD IN '57

On their last and only previous tour of Australia, in 1957, Ferencvaros trounced Australia to the tune of 6-1 and 9-2.

The Australian team, however, was hardly a representative side because it did not include any players from the then breakaway NSW Federation.

Ferencvaros played 16 matches between June 29 and August 4 for 14 wins, a draw and a loss.

The draw was a 2-2 against the Hong Kong club side, Eastern Athletic, at Wallsend, and their one defeat was in a match at the Sydney Cricket Ground, in front of 22,000 spectators, against FK Austria, who were touring Australia at the same time and included Leo Baumgartner and Karl Jaros in their ranks.

In 1957, Ferencvaros scored 96 goals and conceded 29 on their arduous Australian tour.

This is Ferencvaros' 1957 tour record:

d. WA 6-1 (Perth)  
d. WA 9-0 (Perth)  
d. SA 13-4 (Adelaide)  
d. Aust. XI 3-0 (Adelaide)  
d. Vic. 6-1 (Melbourne)  
d. Aust. XI 3-2 (Hobart)  
d. FK Austria 3-1 (Melbourne)  
d. Eastern Athletic 8-3 (Sydney)  
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d. Eastern Athletic 10-2 (Brisbane)  
d. South Coast 5-3 (Bulli)  
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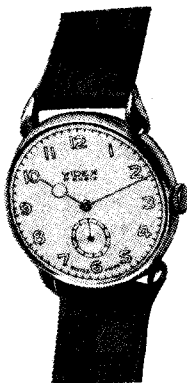
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# WORLD CUP NEWS AND VIEWS



## GERMAN FANS PICK THEIR CUP TEAM

From HANS SCHMIDT

FRANKFURT — Quiet confidence characterises the West German camp some four months before the World Cup finals.

Manager Helmut Schon has already announced that he would watch as many of his earmarked players as possible before selecting his final squad of 22.

However, West German "public opinion" has already spoken.

According to a poll, this is the team most German fans would like to see in action:

Kleff — Vogts, H. Kremers, Beckenbauer, Bretnier — Haller, Hoernes, Netzer — Heynckes, Muller, E. Kremers.

The surprise is Haller's popularity. "I doubt whether Haller, at 34, would stand up to the strains of a World Cup," smiled Schon when told of his "team."

One new name could, however, cause a shock, that of Bochert, a young star of the Regional-League team Wattenscheid.

Many experts claim Bochert could be Netzer's successor — and should be in Schon's squad.

The team's preparations will begin in earnest on February 22 when they meet Spain in Barcelona.

Four days later Italy in Rome will be the opponents, then come Scotland in Frankfurt on March 27, Hungary in Dortmund on April 17 and Sweden in Hamburg on May 1.

The West German team will go into a training camp at Malente on May 29 probably as warm World Cup favorites.

One of their players will have very special reasons to try his hardest: winger Jurgen Grabowski's 30th birthday falls on July 7 — the day of the final.

### BECKENBAUER

The great Franz Beckenbauer, who has just signed a new five-year contract with his club, Bayern Munchen, meanwhile marches towards his 100th international appearance.

So far he has played 73 times for West Germany — more than any other player — and he will be only 28 on September 11.

If all goes well, by the end of 1974 Beckenbauer's tally could reach 85 internationals.

The West German TV studios are also gearing up for the big event.

Between June 13 and July 7, they will show 92



### Smile of confidence?

hours of World Cup soccer live on two channels — certainly a saturation even for sports-crazy German viewers.

Picking players for the national team is becoming a sort of a pastime.

The West German sports magazine "Kicker" has polled 10,000 of its readers and the results were surprising.

### POPULAR

Gerd Muller collected the most popular votes, 9,581 just ahead of Uli Hoernes, on 9,374 and Netzer on 9,256.

Beckenbauer, who is not having his best season, finished only 13th with 7,468 votes.

Borussia Moenchengladbach's goalie Kleff has proved more popular than Bayern's Maier, probably because of the large number of goals Bayern have conceded in recent weeks.

Still, manager Helmut Schon's worries are pleasant ones: for each post he will be able to choose from two or three outstanding players.

From the Bretnier-Vogts-Hottges fullback trio, only two will fit into his team; of the noted midfielders Netzer, Overath, Wimmer, Flohe, Hoernes, Danner, Cullmann and Holzenbein, five will miss out.

With Beckenbauer's place certain, either Weber or Schwarzenbeck will sit on the bench as reserve stopper and in the ranks of the strikers the wealth is similarly embarrassing.

Rale Rasic seems confident enough as he smilingly poses in front of a giant photograph of the West German national team during his recent visit to Hamburg where the Socceros will play the World Cup favorites in the second match of the series on June 18. It would be interesting to capture Helmut Schon's reaction to Australia's painfully inadequate preparation. The German supremo would laugh his head off, no doubt.

## World Cup Digest

● Australia beware! The West Germans have promised manager Helmut Schon a "special" present for his 10th birthday as West German supremo. The day, would you believe, falls on June 18 — date of the Australia v. West Germany match in Hamburg. Sounds ominous...

● The Italian team's headquarters throughout the finals will be a hotel at Ludwigsburg, 30 kms from Stuttgart, called "Mon Repos". The Italians have taken over the entire 70-bed establishment.

● Heinz Schnellinger, the former AC Milan and West Germany fullback of 1966 and 1970 World Cup fame, will comment on this year's finals on a German television station — for a fee of \$5,000.

● Ferenc Puskas tips West Germany to win the World Cup. He feels that playing at home will tip the scales for them. He also fancies the chances of Italy, Holland... and Bulgaria (!). The South Americans he dismisses. "I can't see Brazil amongst the first four, with or without Pele", he said. Puskas also forecasts a Spanish win against Yugoslavia in next week's play-off.

● The capacity of Munich's Olympic stadium will be enlarged to hold 82,000 spectators for the World Cup final on July 7. Two additional temporary tubular stands, to seat 6,000 spectators, will be built behind both goals, some 200 metres from the field of play.

● Poland will play against Schalke 04, the German Bundesliga club, in Gelsenkirchen, on February 20, against Fiorentina in Florence on the 27th and against Chemie Halle (East Germany) on March 3. Zaire's national team will also meet Poland in a full international on March 8.

● Brazilian national coach Mario Zagalo will watch the World Cup play-off between Spain and Yugoslavia in Frankfurt next Wednesday. He will be a more than interested spectator because Brazil will meet the winner

## RIVERA WANTS SECOND CHANCE



GIANNI RIVERA

It is strange that so quiet, composed and self possessed a player as Gianni Rivera, European Player of the Year in 1969, should so often be at the centre of controversy.

Before the start of the 1970 World Cup in Mexico, his third, he was nearly sent home after violent criticism of the team management.

He had been left out of the side for the first game, but a compromise was eventually reached by bringing him on for the second half in place of Sandro Mazzola.

### Winning goal

He played splendidly and scored in the quarterfinals and semifinals (when his goal proved the winner against Germany) but in the final, he played for only eight minutes.

He wants to change all that this year; he is determined to play a full game — in the final in Munich on July 7.

Captain of the Milan team which won the Championship and Cupwinners' Cup in season 1967/68 and 1972/73, the European Cup in 1969, Rivera is a boy prodigy who matured into a complete inside-forward, a superb technical player, a marvelous passer of the ball, with a shot surprising in one so light.

Born in Alessandria on August 18, 1943, he made his League debut for the local club as a 15-year-old, was transferred to Milan at 16 from Alessandria, and

was still only 16 when he played in the Italian Olympic side of 1960 in Rome.

His international debut was made on May 13, 1962, in Brussels, and he then went to Chile, playing one game, against West Germany, in the World Cup.

In 1966, in England, he played against Chile and North Korea.

A lucid and fluent talker, Rivera is the son of a railwayman, much attached to his family.

The second string to his bow is an insurance agency.

In this year's finals Italian supremo Ferruccio Valcareggi will field both Rivera and Mazzola, whose styles have now blended in the Italian midfield.

Rivera, around whom the Italian team was built in 1966, had to face violent criticism when North Korea beat them in England, but he retained his dignity and calm to ride out the storm. A player's player, Rivera has often been in trouble back home for his blunt criticism of referees and has incurred several fines throughout his career for his outspoken views, which often have also been aimed at pompous officialdom.



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# WORLD CUP NEWS AND VIEWS



## "PLAYBOY" JAIRZINHO PROMISES TO REFORM



Jairzinho (picture here with Giacinto Facchetti in the 1970 World Cup final) is a reformed character.

The "enfant terrible" of Brazilian soccer, whose name is seldom out of the headlines, has decided to turn a new leaf — for the glory of Brazil.

Conscious that he will be the mainstay of the Brazilian attack now that Pele and Tostao have called it a day, the 29-year-old Botafogo striker has pledged that from now on soccer comes first.

Brazil's top scorer, with seven goals, in the 1970 World Cup has told the mass-circulation "Jornao do Brasil" he will "dedicate his life" for a fourth

here with the Viennese FK Austria, are still vivid in many memories.  
The remarkable feature of Ferencvaros has always been its ability to produce its own talent, through the many junior teams.  
Of the present squad in

## BULGARIA RECALLS DOBRIMIR JETCHEV



Dobrimir Jetchev, captain of the Bulgarian team which toured Australia last year, is back in favor with manager Hristo Mladenov.

Jetchev and his team-mates are now playing warm-up matches in Kuwait.

He appears certain to keep his place in the middle of the Bulgarian defence for the World Cup finals where Bulgaria's Group IV opponents are Sweden, Uruguay and Holland.

Jetchev, still only 29, was dropped from recent international matches to make way for younger players in accordance with Mladenov's policy of bleeding new faces.

Another great Bulgarian, ace striker Petar Jekov, is also likely to be recalled for World Cup duty.

## CARLOS CASZELY IS THE "GERD MULLER" OF CHILE

— By CARLOS MENDOZA in Santiago —

**SANTIAGO** — Carlos Humberto Caszely is the name of the man they call Chile's "Gerd Muller."

The fairly short, moustachioed Chilean striker is an unpleasant opponent: aggressive, mobile, goal-hungry.

He has a habit of popping up at the unlikelyst spots, stabbing out a foot and squeezing home sudden, dramatic goals.

My advice to Australian coach Rasic is: watch this man Caszely.

Last September he destroyed Mexico single-handed with two superbly taken goals in the Azteca Stadium; it was also his goal that swept Peru out of the way in the play-off against Chile.

Since last October, temper sometimes gets him

Caszely has been playing in Spain. His Santiago club, Colo Colo, hard up for cash, had to agree to his transfer for \$200,000 to Levante, in the Second Division.

For the first few weeks he had problems settling down together with his new wife; he even considered returning to Chile.

Then he knuckled down to business — and in the first two matches banged in seven goals.

Technically anything but fully accomplished, Caszely is fast, strong and possesses amazing reflexes.

His Latin American

into trouble as he detests being hacked or shoved out of the way.

However, if he can keep his cool during the World Cup, he is certain to cause a few headaches not just for Rasic, but perhaps for both German managers as well.

### "FOREIGN LEGION"

Chile will rely on a host of "foreign legionnaires" in the World Cup. These are the stars that are attached to foreign clubs.

Caszely (Levante, Spain), Figueroa (Porto Alegre, Brazil), Quintano (Cruz Azul, Mexico), Reinoso (America, Mexico), Crisosto (Panathinaikos, Greece), Munoz (Coruna, Spain), Castro (America, Mexico), Rodriguez (Atletico Espanol, Mexico), Araya (Cruz Azul, Mexico).

## KREISCHE RECOVERS

Hans-Jurgen Kreische, one of the stars of the East German team, has fully recovered from his operation of last year and is back in training again.

Lubanski and Anczok, two of the mainstays of the Polish team, have resumed their trainings after long lay-offs due to injury.

Poland has selected the team's headquarters, picking Murrhardt, 30 miles from Stuttgart and close to the Swiss border. The hotel has only 50 rooms but also boasts an indoor pool, sauna and rest rooms while the village has an excellent training ground.

## Lubanski for Spurs?

There is some chat around the course indicating that the ban on foreign stars appearing in English League football might be broken sometime in 1974.

Top managers have money to spend, but there are a very limited number of soccermen either willing to move or worth vast sums in the British game right now.

In the search for foreign stars, Tottenham Hotspur have been keeping a close eye on the career and movements of Poland's captain Wlodzimierz Lubanski.

The Pole spent Christmas with Mike England, Spurs' and Wales' centre-back.

It has been reported that Lubanski was promised his freedom to play in hard-currency Western European soccer lands at the time of the 1972 Olympics which Poland won.

Now it is suggested the player has been offered even more if he stays in his homeland until after this year's World Cup matches.

\* Lubanski, 27, and first capped at 16, holds two Polish records.

Most appearances for his country with 67 matches notched and most international goals, currently calculated at 46.

If the player did appear in England he would be expected, eventually, to return to Poland to become a manager or coach.

— LESLIE PAGE

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## RESULTS & SCORERS

### St. George

3 (1)

Morgan 4 min., Abonyi 51 min., Stoddart 63 min.

### Safeway

0 (0)

has already announced that he would watch as many of his earmarked players as possible before selecting his final squad of 22.

However, West German "public opinion" has already spoken.

According to a poll, this min.

## HOW THEY LINED UP

Fraser 4, G. Harris 4, Williams 5, Schaefer 4, Coton 5, Stoddart 4, Abonyi 3, McDonald 4, Hamilton 3, Warren 3, Morgan 4.

TOTAL: 43.

Coach: M. Johnson.

Match rating: \* \* \* \*

Hesford 4, Roberts 3, Wilson 3, Walker 3 (Dunlop 3), Tuckerman 3, Bingham 3, Fryer 2, McGrotty 3, Tolson 3, Alston 3 (McKinnon 55 min.), Rigby 3.

TOTAL: 33.

Coach: P. Wilson.

## SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

St. George completely outclassed Safeway to register their first Ampol Cup win of the season. The Saints marched forward with consummate ease against a United side which lacked pattern or purpose. Safeway only had one shot at goal, which was an indication to the trend of the game. St. George took the lead in the fourth minute through Neville Morgan and could have gone further ahead in the 22nd when a 20-metre freekick by McDonald crashed against the post. Saints, playing crisp, incisive football, tore gaping holes in the Safeway defence. Stoddart scored the goal of the match when he flicked the ball over his head with his right foot, turned and slammed it home with his left foot from a difficult angle 15 metres out. Paul Coton and Harry Williams were imperial in defence, easily subduing the tame United attack. Crowd: 3,589 (double-header). Referee: H. Witschke.

— PAUL POSETTI

Two goals within the space of one minute sank a depleted Sutherland side. Reduced to 10 men after Cacciola was sent off for allegedly kicking Brady in the 25th minute, Sutherland were never really in the race. Only a brilliant exhibition of goalkeeping by Alan Maher kept the score down to 2-0. A poor Sutherland attack rarely troubled Ron Corry while the wandering Billy Vojtek, the ambling Derek Smith and Maurice Sullivan proved a problem for Sutherland throughout. Both Croatia goals came from first-time shots inside the box which Maher couldn't possibly save. Referee Frank Sbisla took the names of seven players in the course of a rugged, but entertaining match.

Crowd: 3,589 (double-header). Referee: F. Sbisla.

— PAUL POSETTI

In a game that never reached great heights, but was always interesting, Auburn matched Marconi in both defence and attack and with a little luck could well have snatched a narrow victory. Through their strong midfield trio of Moschen, Robertson and Jones, Marconi dominated the early part of the game, but they confined their play to the midfield with goal shots at a premium. Yet, when Auburn gained possession, mainly through Deller and Quested, they were extremely dangerous and only some incredible misses prevented them from scoring. After the interval Auburn gained the initiative and with good backing Gary Quested opened gaps in the tiring Marconi defence. It was a storming finish by Auburn, but the Marconi defence held well under pressure to deservedly share the points.

Crowd: 4,196 (double-header). Referee: P. Rampley.

— CHARLES SPITERI

Hakoah won a reprieve from their first defeat of the season by a disputed disallowed goal (see page 8). There was never any doubt about the superiority of Pan Hellenic. Faster, more methodical, and with abounding determination, Pan Hellenic outplayed their opponents in every department and only some bad misses in front of goal stopped them from collecting both points. Gary Manuel, Dave Harding and Agenor Muniz, playing at the peak of their form and "ball-fed" by a vigorous midfield, were a constant menace to the Hakoah defence. Yet, despite some brilliant attacking movements, Pan Hellenic failed to get the ball into the net for one reason or another. Goalie Saverio Madeschi was the only Hakoah player to come out with full marks with some daring saves to his credit.

Crowd: 4,196 (double-header). Referee: A. McKenzie.

— CHARLES SPITERI

An extraordinary match Yugal could easily have drawn despite trailing 0-4 after only 24 minutes! Canterbury had a magnificent start when everything they touched literally turned to goals. Their first four attacks brought as many goals! The Berries played some magnificent football then and looked a champion side in every department. Yugal-Prague were reduced to a rabble and seemed destined for a near-record beating when coach Dacevski brought Sasha Perry on for Serdarevic. Perry sparked off a dramatic Yugal revival with two goals and was in the thick of things as Yugal-Prague threw everything at the weakening opposition. Yugal had enough chances to at least draw level, but managed to miss some open goals. The orgy of first half goals and Yugal's second half near-misses had the crowd on its toes throughout.

Crowd: 4,191 (double-header). Referee: G. Wane.

— LOU GAUTIER

A tame affair compared to the exciting early match between Canterbury and Yugal-Prague. APIA, however, deserved their narrow win as they were more methodical than Wests right through. It was only poetic justice that Jim Rooney scored the winning goal as he was APIA's best player. The best individual performance, however, was Col Curran's. His overlapping was sensational and it's no exaggeration to say he was Wests' most dangerous forward! On three occasions goalie John Roberts had to scramble to save the international fullback's scorching drives. APIA, especially in the second half, had several opportunities to increase their lead, but solid defence from Wests and poor finishing nullified their efforts. Lack of imagination in midfield and almost non-existent wing-play were big factors to Wests' downfall.

Crowd: 4,191 (double-header). Referee: A. Boskovic.

— LOU GAUTIER

## AMPOL TABLES

GROUP "A"				
	W	D	L	F A P
Croatia	2	1	—	6 3 5
Pan Hellenic	2	—	—	3 4
APIA	2	—	1	4 2 4
Hakoah	—	3	—	3 3 3
Wests	—	2	1	2 3 2
Sutherland	—	3	2	9

GROUP "B"				
	W	D	L	F A P
Auburn	2	1	—	3 1 5
Canterbury	2	—	1	5 4
Marconi	1	2	—	3 1 4
St. George	1	1	1	4 2 3
Safeway	—	2	2	6 1
Yugal-Prague	—	1	2	7 1

## Readers' Letters

I find it rather disappointing that you have to resort to articles such as the one titled "Rasic and Ramsey" in your January 25 edition, to fill up space.

Rale Rasic has obviously done great things for Australian soccer and must be commended, but David Bateson does appear to have his facts somewhat out of perspective when commenting on England's performances both past and present.

To say that the England morale was low was not at all apparent during their match against Poland and to state that England could not have survived in front of hostile crowds is to me a ridiculous remark.

English players are used to playing in front of such crowds every week in their own league program.

Although England did not retain the World Cup in 1970 their performances in front of hostile, partisan Mexican crowds were good enough to get them into the quarterfinals.

May I therefore suggest that Mr. Bateson review his mathematics to come up with a more realistic equation than 1 Rasic = 2 Ramseys.

It sounds as if he must have attended the same school as your Mike Renwick!

Everybody knows that England will not be in West Germany in June so let's start reading more about teams Australia will actually have to face.

When Australia eventually play the full English team then fair comparisons can be made.

Good luck to the Australian team!

I. BLOOR,  
Double Bay

## FIFA PRESIDENT

Why does "Soccer World" so frequently write up Joao Havelange and decry or belittle FIFA president Sir Stanley Rous at least equally often?

I know that you regard Sir Stanley as passe and senile.

But to the best of my knowledge, practically all editorials in "FIFA News" are written by him.

How many persons in the whole world of soccer — regardless of age — can tackle so many vital subjects so clearly and rationally?

No, Sir Stanley is not finished.

I expect him to beat his Brazilian challenger at the next FIFA Congress and retain his presidency.

GARY MAXWELL,  
Glenhaven

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Match rating: \* \* \* \*

Maher 5, Branson 2, Bennett 3, R. Griffiths 3, Wykes 3, Bourke 3, Johnston 2, P. Smith 4, Suggett 3 (Thompson 2), Trail 3, Cacciola (sent off 25 min.).

TOTAL: 31.

Coach: J. Livingstone.

Hoszowski 4, Lawson 3, Hughes 3, Malone 4, Leak 3, Hucker 3, Quested 4, Stewart 3, Deller 4, Keddie 3, Parker 2.

TOTAL: 36.

Coach: J. Marston.

Match rating: \* \* \*

Murray 4, Degney 3, Robertson 4, Mihajlevic 3, Moschen 4, Jones 4, Samuel 2, Campbell 3, Brajkovic 3, A. Griffiths 3, Byrne 3.

TOTAL: 36.

Coach: L. Baumgartner.

Madeschi 4, Fekete 3, Lynch 3, Watkiss 3, Marnoch 3, Mackay 3, Watson 4, O'Connor 3, Fletcher 3, Baartz 3, Morrow 3.

TOTAL: 35.

Coach: D. MacLaren.

Match rating: \* \* \* \*

Maglis 4, Izatt 3, Rudic 4, Barbouttis 4, Bell 4, Stowell 3, Muniz 4, Harding 4, Brankin 3, Manuel 4, Buckley 3.

TOTAL: 40.

Coach: Z. Rasic.

Hawthorne 3, G. Brown 4, Hardy 3, Henderson 3, J. Xipolitis 3, Balafas 3, Armytage 4, R. Brown 5, Pocock 5, Mullen 3, Welton 3 (Angelopoulos 41 min.).

TOTAL: 39.

Coach: I. Hegyes.

Match rating: \* \* \* \*

Hollmick 4 (replaced Tuinman 25 min.), Trkulja 4, McDonald 3, Takac 3, Nacinovic 3, Velkovski 3, Mihajlovic 4, Perry 5 (replaced Serdarevic 25 min.), I. Alagich 3, Selvage 3, Skoric 3.

TOTAL: 38.

Coach: S. Dacevski.

Roberts 4, McGinn 4, Jenkins 3, Clarke 3, McGhee 3 (Smart 3), Russell 4, Blues 3, Rooney 5, Ollerton 3, Rogers 3, Butler 3.

TOTAL: 38.

Coach: T. Anderson.

Match rating: \* \* \*

Eaton 4, G. Smith 3, Ferguson 3, Radcliffe 3, Curran 5, Perry 3 (replaced Gray 19 min.), Stone 3, Turner 3, Lindsay 3, Byles 4, Turnbull 3 (Spiekerman 43 min.).

TOTAL: 37.

Coach: I. Schejflung.

### Sutherland

0 (0)

### Auburn

0 (0)

### Marconi

0 (0)

### Hakoah

0 (0)

### P. Hellenic

0 (0)

### Canterbury

4 (4)

R. Brown 3 and 24 mins., Pocock 6 and 20 mins.

### Yugal-Prague

2 (1)

Perry 35 and 54 mins.

### A.P.I.A.

1 (1)

Rooney 14 min.

### WESTS

0 (0)

# Club patrol

Some 600 MELITA EAGLES supporters went on a harbour cruise last Sunday. It was a double success, financially for the club and a terrific day of pleasure for the people, which included a swim and picnic lunch at Clifton Gardens.

Good to know that former First Division coach BILL VROLVKS is free of additional business commitments and is rarin' to go on another coaching assignment. Bill can be contacted on 661-4092.

Acc goalgrabber NIGEL MCGUCKIN (Balgownie) has returned to Ireland permanently. He is going into business with his brother, managing a stud farm.

Congratulations to St. George-Budapest's FABIAN JUHASZ for the birth of a second child.

BOBBY HOGG is in full training again. Now that the pins have been removed successfully from his knee he is rarin' to go. He will definitely stay with the Saints.

The new secretary-manager of Granville Supporters' Club is ANGUS FRAZER.

Maltese First Division club Marsa have asked for a \$6,000 transfer fee for World Cup centre-forward JOE FARRUGIA, who hopes to play for Melita Eagles this season.

"It didn't take" AGENOR MUNIZ and PADDY BUCKLEY long to find out that things are different at Pan Hellenic these days. Manager Rale Rasic imposed a \$100 fine on the brilliant Brazilian for his expulsion in the recent friendly against Northern NSW and the Irishman copped a \$150 fine for allegedly giving "cheek".

WARREN HALVERSON, who tried out with Hakoah-Easts, will be back again this season with Newcastle premiers, Westof Bears.

Soccer continues its march forward throughout the country. There are plenty of keen players out as far as Lightning Ridge. TAMWORTH has its own branch of the Coaches Association to further the work, and 700 players will take the field in the Gunnedah district competition.

The big CASTELLORIZAN CLUB, the plush Greek-based club at 448 Anzac Parade, Kingsford, appears to have missed out on InterSuburban

Hats off to Victorian referee JAMES DIXON who agreed to stand down last Saturday to allow TONY BOSKOVIC to referee the Victoria v. Ferencvaros game. FIFA Executive, Dr. M. ANDREJEVIC, from Yugoslavia, in Australia for a medical sports congress, requested Boskovic officiate in front of him to decide whether to recommend him for the World Cup finals.

status for this year, due to a lack of vacancies. The club will enter the local competition, and is eagerly awaiting the chance to prove its mettle in better company.

The Inter-Suburbans are getting into swing for a big season, including participation in the Rothmans Cup. Eastwood Town has secured the services of MORRIS SMITH as coach. Morris had a great career with West Ryde, after spending some time with the Granville club.

The PAN HELLENC players have received free tickets from the club to watch Sunday's Australia v. Ferencvaros match. This is in appreciation of their fine display against Hakoah last Friday.

In the wake of the Enmore-Rosebery amalgamation another Greek club is just about to enter the Federation scene. It is the KINGSFORD MEGISTY Soccer Club, which is under the complete charge of former Pan Hellenic president George Pappas. Kingsford Megisty, which is supported by a strong social club, has made an application to play Federation football this year in view of the vacancy created by the amalgamation.

Hungarian idol FLORIAN ALBERT will be on hand for autographs and handshakes between 10 and 12 a.m. this Saturday at the Four-R Sports Store, 8 Fairfield Road, Fairfield.

New "RALE RASIC" balls were used for the first time last week at the Victoria v. Ferencvaros and Sunday Ampol Cup matches.

PAUL SLATER, who had a term with South Sydney Croatia, has been appointed coach of Gladesville Ravens, promoted to Third Division this year. Eddie Fryar will coach the seconds, and former South Australian First Division player, Mick Shorter, will manage the first team.

BALGOWNIE beat Sutherland 2-1 in a trial match at Seymour Shaw Park last week.

was one of the dead in the Pan American jet's crash in Pago Pago last week.

Northern Districts coach UNCLE JOE VLASITS is looking pretty happy. His side was beaten 3-2 by Manly last weekend, but the club's youth policy is starting to show dividends. Six of the team were under-19.

Professor ANDREJEVIC, an executive member of FIFA, was guest of honor at a dinner at the Yugal-Prague Club last Friday. The world-famous Yugoslav expressed surprise that a city of the size of Sydney did not have a modern stadium which can at least accommodate 50,000 spectators. "Inexcusable", the good professor said. Amen.

## Greeks will call new club Hellas

— By CHARLES SPITERI —

To be or not to be . . . the odds are that the names of Enmore Progressives and Rosebery Rhodes will be no more in Second Division football.

Instead, the new name of Newtown Hellas will emerge very soon.

Hellas, which means Greece in the Hellenic language, is part and parcel of every Greek-supported club in the other States of Australia.

In their initial season in Second Division last year Rosebery figured in a ding-dong battle with Canterbury for promotion and eventually finished in third place, while Enmore ended up in seventh place after scoring several upset wins against the stronger teams.

The architect of this sudden merger is former Rosebery president, and president of the new club, Nick Hatzidoulis.

### JUBILANT

Beaming with jubilation after his success in bringing together these two "kin" clubs, Mr. Hatzidoulis who, incidentally, is an architect by profession, said this week: "I actually tried last year to get this merger going, but had to give it away after some bigoted opposition."

"The climate was better this year, and the committees of the two clubs worked harmoniously to achieve this amalgamation, which should be of great benefit to both clubs."

He added: "The new committee is already negotiating to acquire premises for a social club over the Newtown railway station — an ideal location for the Greek community."

"Under the new set-up Newtown-Hellas will be able to field a much stronger side, comprised of retained players from both clubs."

"Financially, we'll also be much better off as for the first time we have the guaranteed backing and support of several businessmen which will ensure that Newtown-Hellas will be out of the red at the end of each year," Mr. Hatzidoulis added.

However, despite the assertion that the amalgamation has taken place, the NSW Soccer Federation is not quite sure of what is going on between the two clubs.

A meeting between the clubs and the Executive was arranged for last week to straighten up the matter, but this was cancelled and the Federation has yet to receive concrete evidence that such a merger — which is obviously desired — has been approved by members of both clubs.

NSW Federation secretary Aukden Brown said this week that some information on the merger was supplied to the Federation, but that a letter of confirmation has still to reach his office.

On the subject of a Second Division replacement, Mr. Hatzidoulis said that the committee of Newtown-Hellas will recommend to the Federation that Northern Districts — the club relegated last year to Third Division — keep its place in Second Division.

However, Aukden Brown said that irrespective of any recommendation, a play-off would have to take place according to the rules of the Federation.

"Northern Districts will have to play-off against the next team in line for promotion from Third Division — Marrickville — and the winner will fill the vacancy for the 1974 season."

Newtown-Hellas have appointed Pat Hughes as their coach for 1974.

Training sessions have already started at Steele Park, Marrickville.

Players belonging to both Enmore and Rosebery are requested to attend on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6.30 p.m.

Hellas' home ground has not yet been determined, but it is anticipated that either Marrickville or Erskineville Oval will be secured.

— CHARLES SPITERI

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## NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

ST. GEORGE v. FERENCVAROS — Sportsground, 8.15 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Hakoah v. Sutherland — Garside Park, 7.45 p.m.

St. George v. Yugal-Prague — Garside Park, 9.15 p.m.

Maroon v. Canterbury — Woonona Oval, 7.45 p.m.

Safeway v. Auburn — Woonona Oval, 9.15 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Wests v. Croatia — Wentworth Park, 3 p.m.

APIA v. Pan Hellenic — Wentworth Park, 4.30 p.m.



# BLACK FRIDAY AT GARSIDE PARK

## Innocent parties bear the penalty

— By KEITH GILMOUR —

It's a long haul from the Sports Ground on September 30, 1968, to Garside Park last Friday night, but the situations at the respective grounds are not without their message.

● On Grand Final Day 1968 Hakoah and Pan Hellenic were locked at 2-2 with six minutes remaining when Willie Rutherford made the running down the left, delivering the cross that brother Harry hammered into the Pan Hellenic net.

Then, just on fulltime, the big Greek content in the 22,111 crowd saw wrecker Willie away again, and unhappily for the Pan Hellenic team, David Johnston turned the ball into his own net.

It was a 4-2 loss for Cole, Loukanidis, Omeros, Westwater and Co., but Hakoah was the better footballing team and the Greek loss was taken entirely in good part.

● At Garside Park last Friday the position was in brutal contrast.

4,196 was a good crowd, by coincidence Hakoah was again the Pan Hellenic opposition, but tragedy struck when referee Alan McKenzie blew for a foul on Gary Manuel and all hell broke loose.

A referee gets one chance to blow or not to blow. If he does so and

the offended player regains his footing and goes on to score, then the whistle must still be obeyed.

The crowd mightn't like it, but they have to live with it.

### Mere mortal

The referee will play the advantage where he can, but with all the goodwill in the world, how can he be expected as a mere mortal — albeit a trained one — to predict what the next play will bring with absolutely unerring infallibility?

He is there to do the right thing, and this he will do by both sides to the best of his human ability.

And then, of course, who is to say how the ball is going to break and for whom over the remainder of the match, and ultimately which side will deserve to win.

On Friday the aftermath of the referee's decision was a disgraceful scene, bashing and inevitable police intervention.

Were this the first time that such behaviour had occurred at Pan Hellenic matches then all concerned

might hope and expect that it would be the last. Alas, not so.

Here's the list:

● Anzac Day 1965, v. South Coast in the Federation Cup.

● April 1969, v. Polonia at Wentworth Park (game abandoned).

● April 1971, v. Western Suburbs at Drummoyne Oval (game abandoned and 8 penalty points deducted).

● July 1973, v. Marconi at Wentworth Park.

On the last occasion Ray Richards was attacked, and a spectator arrested.

Pan Hellenic coach Rale Rasic, who 'appealed' on Friday night to the offending section of his club's supporters to desist, was, strangely enough, the Marconi coach on that occasion.

### Widespread

The effect of the misdemeanors is widespread.

For example, the game as a whole in its World Cup year cannot afford to be caught in the web of controversy — a situation that will tend to cut us off from the public as a whole.

The club officials have set out to bring overdue glory to the Pan Hellenic club, and it is a tragedy that they have to undergo the trials and tribulations that such incidents bring, whether they see justification for it or not.

The rest of the big club following — those who do not condone loutish conduct — are caught in the same predicament.

Must they put up with the blackening of the club name due to the work of an unsporting hand of transgressors?

Lastly, what of the players and the coach who have set upon revitalising an ailing team?

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## Disallowed goal started it all

— By CHARLES SPITERI —

Carloads of Police reinforcements had to be rushed to Garside Park last Friday to quell an ugly demonstration by some 200 Pan Hellenic supporters — a very small minority of the large Greek contingent at the Ampol Cup double-header — who went on a rampage at the end of the match against Hakoah.

The disturbance erupted from a decision by referee Alan McKenzie to disallow what seemed to be a legitimate goal for many people by centre-forward Gary Manuel eight minutes after the interval.

It is hard to understand how the mob could lay the blame squarely on the referee.

In the incident, the ball was lobbed over the Hakoah defence which was caught upfield, backing up their forward line.

Manuel gained possession of the ball but Hakoah stopper Alan Marnoch was right on his heels.

As both struggled for the ball, Manuel was deliberately fouled and appeared to lose balance in his run towards goal — a similar incident which the previous week led to the expulsion of Wests' Vince Radcliffe.

There was no alternative for McKenzie but to blow his whistle, which apparently very few people heard in the din of the crowd.

However, Manuel, miraculously, regained his balance almost at once and continued his run to score with a sizzling shot past goalie Saverio Madeschi.

It is claimed that Manuel did not hear the referee's whistle.

There can be arguments forever on the application of the advantage rule in this case, but one thing is clear: the referee was within his rights to stop the game as an offence was committed — and that Marnoch committed a crude foul must have been obvious to

all the 4,200 spectators.

The referee was technically correct, though perhaps a trifle hasty in blowing his whistle for the infringement.

However, a section of the Pan Hellenic crowd did not see it that way and from then on it became apparent that some hooligans were going to do something about it.

They jeered and boomed at every decision the referee made and this minority of agitators started to gather around the dressing rooms.

This was the time to call for law reinforcements as the tension around the enclosure was electric well before the end of the match.

As the game ended McKenzie was thinly shielded to the dressing rooms but the available police could not handle the disturbance that erupted.

Reinforcements did not arrive until well after the game had ended.

Once the referee entered the dressing rooms, the angry mob banged on the wall and some even climbed on the roof and stamped with their feet.

A few other lunatics, causing their club a great disservice, attacked Hakoah officials, including the president Frank Lowy.

Eventually, when reinforcements arrived, the agitators were dispersed by the show of force, but it was a shameful exhibition by a lunatic fringe which gravely embarrasses everyone connected with soccer, starting with Pan Hellenic itself.

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